

MINUTES OF ALAMEDA YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING FOR April 13, 2010



DATE: Tuesday, April 13, 2010

TIME: 5:12 p.m.

PLACE: Room 360, City Hall, corner of Santa Clara Avenue and Oak Street,

Alameda, CA 94501

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Anjuli Sastry, Vice-Chairperson Bhaani Singh, Commissioners Lamont

Carter, Samantha Chin, Jordan Flores, Ellen Hui.

Absent: Commissioners Hannah Bowman, McCaulay Singer Milnes and Angela Sterling-Vick.

Staff: Patrick Russi, Recreation Supervisor (RS)

Andy Wong, Teen Coordinator (TC)

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of March 9, 2010, Youth Advisory Commission Meeting

M/S/C Flores / Carter (Approved)

"That the Minutes of March 9, 2010 Youth Advisory Commission meeting are approved."

Approved (6): Chairperson Anjuli Sastry, Vice-Chairperson Bhaani Singh, Commissioners

Lamont Carter, Samantha Chin, Jordan Flores, Ellen Hui

Absent (3): Commissioners Hannah Bowman, McCaulay Singer Milnes, and Angela Sterling-

Vick.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS, AGENDA

Silvia Gibson, Island High School Teacher and Go-Green Committee member spoke to Youth Commission about recycling program around schools. She informed the Commissioners about Alameda Green School Resolution which she is presenting to the Alameda Unified School District (AUSD) for approval. The Resolution is to promote the practice of living greener within AUSD.

4. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

5. New Business

A. Letter of support from Youth Advisory Commission for a Master Urban Greening Plan. (Discussion / Action Item)

Chairperson Sastry led the discussion of supporting the City of Alameda's proposal to develop a master Urban Greening Plan. She stated that it is crucial to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, conserve water, control flooding, and protect our coastal area. One of the best ways to protect our environment is to establish a comprehensive plan to guide the development of Alameda's urban green areas: its parks, streetscapes, and other civic spaces.

M/S/C Carter / Singh (Approved)

"That the Alameda Youth Commission voted to support the City of Alameda's proposal to develop a Master Urban Greening Plan."

Approved (6): Chairperson Anjuli Sastry, Vice-Chairperson Bhaani Singh, Commissioners

Lamont Carter, Samantha Chin, Jordan Flores, Ellen Hui

Absent (3): Commissioners Hannah Bowman, McCaulay Singer Milnes, and Angela Sterling-

Vick.

B. Discussion of support from Youth Advisory Commission for 100 Best Communities for Young People. (Discussion / Action Item)

Chairperson Sastry led the discussion to support the Application for 100 Best Communities for Youth People, by Alameda Collaborative for Children, Youth, and Family (ACCYF). Chairperson Sastry stated that if awarded the Grant, it will improve opportunities for future grants and funding for the City of Alameda and organizations within the city.

M/S/C Carter / Singh (Approved)

"That the Alameda Youth Commission voted to support the Application for 100 Best Communities for Youth People, by Alameda Collaborative for Children, Youth, and Family (ACCYF)."

Approved (6): Chairperson Anjuli Sastry, Vice-Chairperson Bhaani Singh, Commissioners

Lamont Carter, Samantha Chin, Jordan Flores, Ellen Hui

Absent (3): Commissioners Hannah Bowman, McCaulay Singer Milnes, and Angela Sterling-

Vick.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Discussion / Action Item)

A. Discussion of Season on Nonviolence Theme and Speech Contest

(Discussion / Action Item) Chin

Commissioner Chin stated she is working with the Planning Committee from the Speech Contest on setting up the timeline of the May 15th event agenda. The event will be held at the Alameda Free Library from 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM. Chairperson Sastry stated that Commission Singer Milnes was writing an article on this event.

R/S Russi requested that Commissioners continue to promote the Contest by "word-of-mouth" which is the best way for promotion/advertisers. More details to follow at next meeting.

B. Report on Updating Community Service Opportunity Resources

(Discussion / Action Item)

Sterling-Vick, Singer Milnes

Item tabled due to both Youth Commissioners Sterling-Vick and Singer Milnes absence.

C. Teen Job Search Workshop

(Discussion / Action Item)

Carter

Commissioner Carter stated that the Youth Commission will help solicit local businesses to recognize teens who attended and completed the job workshop. The Teen Job Search Workshop will be held on Thursday, May 6th, at the Alameda Free Library. Commissioner Carter reminded the Youth Commission to continue promoting the event by word-of-mouth.

7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS, GENERAL

Commissioner Flores stated that "Meeting your Public Officials" will be held on April 22nd from 5:30 – 7:30 PM, at Harbor Bay Community Center, and asked that another Youth Commissioner attend the event with him.

T/C Wong stated that the next Alameda Youth Speaks will be held Wednesday, May 5th, 4:00 PM through 6:00 PM, Location to be determined.

8. Next Meeting Date

Tuesday, May 11, 2010; 5:00 PM (City Hall, Room 360)

9. Adjournment 6:08 PM